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SUBJECT: CYPRUS: NAC MEETING JULY 22 1974

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SUMMARY: COUNCIL MET AT 1030, JULY 22 (0930 GMT) AT INITIATIVE  
OF SYG LUNS TO RECEIVE REPORT OF APPEAL SENT BY LUNS LAST NIGHT  
AFTER EVENING COUNCIL MEETING  
IN NAME OF ALLIANCE TO GREEK AND TRUKISH FONMINS IN SUPPORT OF  
PRESIDENT NIXONS INITIATIVE FOR CEASE-FIRE TO BECOME EFFECTIVE  
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1400 GMT ON JULY 22 (REF A). COUNCIL ALSO WAS INFORMED THAT SUCH  
CEASE FIRE HAD BEEN ACCEPTED BY THE TWO PARTIES, BOTH OFFICIALLY  
AND PUBLICLY. THIRTEEN MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL WERE UNANIMOUS IN  
EXPRESSING APPROVAL OF AND SUPPORT FOR THE SYGS INITIATIVE,

APPRECIATION THAT HE HAD ACTED PROMPTLY ON BEHALF OF THE ALLIANCE, RELIEF AT THE RESULTS ACHIEVED SO FAR, AND HOPE THAT AN EFFECTIVE CEASE-FIRE WILL LEAD TO PROMPT AND SUCCESSFUL DISCUSSIONS IN ORDER TO RESTORE PEACE, STABILITY AND CONSTITUTIONAL ORDER IN THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS. COUNCIL APPROVED PRESS STATEMENT REFLECTING THE ABOVE COUNCIL ACTION (FOR TEXT OF NATO PRESS STATEMENT SEE SEPTEL). END SUMMARY.

1. SYG LUNS SAID HE CALLED MEETING TO REPORT TO COUNCIL THAT HE HAD BEEN INFORMED BY AMBASSADOR RUMSFELD AT 0245 (0145GMT) OF PRESIDENT NIXON'S URGENT PROPOSAL TO THE PRESIDENTS OF GREECE AND TURKEY THAT A CEASE FIRE GO INTO EFFECT AT 1400 GMT LOCAL TIME. LUNS ADDED THAT HE WAS ASKED BY THE US TO SEEK COUNCIL SUPPORT FOR THIS INITIATIVE.

2. SYG SAID THAT INASMUCH AS THE COUNCIL SEVERAL TIMES EXPRESSED ITS SENTIMENT IN ACCORD WITH THE OBJECTIVES OF THIS INITIATIVE AND INASMUCH AS PERMREPS HE CONSULTED IN MIDDLE OF NIGHT ADVISED HIM TO NOT HESITATE FOR FORMAL COUNCIL APPROVAL BUT RATHER TO ASSEMBLE THIS MEETING AFTER HE HAD ACTED, HE WENT AHEAD AND DISPATCHED THE MESSAGE, TEXT OF WHICH HE WAS NOW DISTRIBUTING TO THE COUNCIL (FOR TEXT SEE PARA 9 REF A).

3. LUNS REPORTED FURTHER THAT AT 0700 THIS MORNING, TURKISH CHARGE (TULUMEN) DELIVERED A RESPONSE FROM ANKARA WHICH IN EFFECT SAID TURKEY WOULD RESPOND AFFIRMATIVELY IN ACCORD WITH THE UN RESOLUTION OF JULY 20 AND THAT THE CEASE-FIRE WOULD BE EFFECTIVE AS OF 1400 ON JULY 22. REGARDING GREEK RESPONSE, LUNS SAID HE HAD NOT YET RECEIVED REPLY BUT RADIO REPORTS STATED ATHENS TOO WOULD AGREE TO SUCH A CEASE-FIRE.

4. CHORAFAS (GREECE) REPORTED COMMUNICATIONS DIFFICULTIES HAD DELAYED TRANSMISSION OF SYG'S LATEST MESSAGE AND ATHENS REPLY BUT HE COULD CONFIRM THAT GOG HAD ACCEPTED THE CEASE-FIRE. HE ALSO CONFIRMED THAT PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF THIS ACCEPTANCE HAS NOW BEEN MADE IN ATHENS.

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5. LUNS EXPRESSED SATISFACTION THAT SOME LIGHT IS COMING ON THE HORIZON IN THIS SITUATION SO FRAUGHT WITH DANGER FOR THE ALLIANCE. RECOGNIZING HOW DIFFICULT CEASE-FIRES CAN BE, LUNS EXPRESSED THE HOPE OF ALL THAT THIS WOULD COME INTO EFFECT ON SCHEDULE AND REMAIN EFFECTIVE, AND THE HOPE THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS CALLED FOR BY THE UNITED KINGDOM WOULD TAKE PLACE.

6. THE REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OTHER THAN GREECE AND TURKEY THEN IN TURN EXPRESSED GRATITUDE AND APPRECIATION FOR THE INITIATIVE AND SPEED THE SYG DEMONSTRATED IN EXPRESSING TO ATHENS AND ANKARA THE KNOWN SENTIMENT OF THE COUNCIL. PERMREPS ALSO EXPRESSED THEIR ENCOURAGEMENT AT THE ACHIEVEMENTS THUS FAR, AND HOPE THAT AN EFFECTIVE CEASE-FIRE

WOULD LEAD TO PROMPT CONVERSATIONS AS CALLED FOR BY THE UNITED KINGDOM UNDER THE 1960 GUARANTEE AGREEMENTS.

7. IN ASSOCIATING HIS GOVERNMENT WITH THE ABOVE CONSENSUS, FRENCH PERMREP (DE ROSE) REPORTED THAT LAST NIGHT (NIGHT OF JULY 21-22)

THE FRENCH AMBASSADORS IN ANKARA AND ATHENS MADE DEMARCHES TO HOST FONMINS ON BEHALF OF THE EC-NINE IN THE SAME SENSE AS THE U.S. AND SYG COMMUNICATIONS.

8. IN HIS INTERVENTION, RUMSFELD (U.S.) WELCOMED NEWS THAT ATHENS AND ANKARA HAD PRIVATELY AND PUBLICLY ACCEPTED CEASE-FIRE. HE EXPRESSED PARTICULAR APPRECIATION FOR SYG'S LEADERSHIP IN NATO EFFORTS TOWARD THIS OUTCOME, NOT ONLY DURING PREVIOUS NIGHT BUT ALSO THROUGHOUT CRISIS.

9. RUMSFELD SAID THAT SENSE OF HIGHER PRIORITIES WHICH HAD LED GREEKS AND TURKS TO ACCEPT CEASE-FIRE NEEDED TO BE KEPT FOREMOST IN MIND UNTIL IT WAS IMPLEMENTED AT 1400 GMT, AS WELL AS AFTERWARDS FOR IT TO BE EFFECTIVE. HE JOINED UK REP IN HOPING THAT DISCUSSION WOULD START AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER CEASE-FIRE.

10. SYG THEN OBSERVED THAT ALLIES HAD UP TO NOW BEEN EXERCISING GREAT CARE IN DEALING WITH PRESS. NAC HAD NOW MET 9 TIMES ON CYPRUS SITUATION, BUT HE HAD SAID LITTLE TO NEWSPAPER AND TV CORRESPONDENTS WHO WERE BESEIGING HIM. AS A RESULT, THERE WERE STILL SOME MISUNDERSTANDINGS WHETHER NATO AS 100 PERCENT BEHIND UN, UK AND U.S.

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ACTIONS IN THE MATTER. HE THOUGHT IT WAS TIME TO SAY SOMETHING MORE TO PRESS.

11. ALLIES THEN DISCUSSED AND AGREED ON JOINT STATEMENT FOR PRESS (SEPTEL). AT NETHERLANDS SUGGESTION, THIS STATEMENT WILL ALSO BE SENT ON NATO-WIDE SYSTEM FOR PROMPT USE IN ALLIED CAPITALS.

12. ON QUESTION OF VENUE FOR FOLLOW-ON TALKS, CHORAFAS SAID GREEK AMBASSADOR IN VIENNA HAD JUST PHONED TO SAY THAT FONMIN'S OF THREE GUARANTOR POWERS WOULD MEET IN VIENNA JULY 23.

13. DEROSE BRIEFLY REPORTED THAT SOVIET REPS IN PARIS HAD ATTACKED NATO ROLE IN CYPRUS CRISIS. QUAI D'ORSAY HAD FLATLY REJECTED SOVIET ALLEGATIONS.

14. SYG SAID NAC HAD PLAYED SUCCESSFUL ROLE IN PAST WEEK, AND HAD AGAIN PROVED ITSELF AN EFFECTIVE PEACEKEEPING INSTITUTION. PERMREPS COULD LOOK BACK ON THEIR ACTIVITIES WITH SOME SATISFACTION.

15. AS HE HAD PREVIOUS EVENING, UK CHARGE UPDATED NAC ON EVACUATION ACTIVITIES. CONVOY FROM NICOSIA HAD SUCCESSFULLY EVACUATED APPROXIMATELY 4000 BRITISH SUBJECTS AND "FOREIGN" NATIONALS AND

THERE WERE NOW TOTAL OF SOME 500 ON UK BASE AT DHEKELIA. EVACUEES WOULD BE TAKEN BY SHUTTLE FLIGHTS TO BASE AT AKROTIRI, FROM WHICH FLIGHTS COULD BE ARRANGED TO LONDON AND OTHER CAPITALS. CONVOY HAD MILITARY ESCORT AND PROCEEDED DESPITE LACK OF COMPLETE GUARANTEE OF SECURITY FROM BELLIGERANTS.

16. IN THIS CONNECTION AND ON INSTRUCTIONS, UK REP ASKED TO MAKE RECORD ABSOLUTELY CLEAR THAT THERE HAD BEEN NO UK MILITARY INVOLVEMENT IN CYPRUS HOSTILITIES. SOLE MISSION OF UK MILITARY DURING CRISIS HAD BEEN TO PROTECT UK AND FOREIGN NATIONALS. AS A MATTER OF INTEREST, HE WISHED ALLIES TO NOTE THAT THERE HAD BEEN SOME RUSSIANS AMONG EVACUEES IN NICOSIA CONVOY. RUMSFELD

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